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Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116
Expedited Prosecution - Group Art Unit 1761

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
STEPHEN A. SCHROEDER ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/903,710)
Filed: July 31, 2001)
For: METHOD OF PREPARING LIQUID)
COMPOSITIONS FOR DELIVERY)
OF N-[N-(3,3-DIMETHYLBUTYL)-)
L- α -ASPARTYL]-L-)
PHENYLALANINE 1-METHYL)
ESTER IN FOOD AND BEVERAGE)
SYSTEMS)
Examiner: Leslie A. Wong
Group Art Unit: 1761
April 3, 2006

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

This is in response to the final Office Action dated August 1, 2005, in the above-noted case. A Notice of Appeal and Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) were timely filed on February 1, 2006. Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on April 3, 2006
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